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WE COME now to the final instruction in Silvershirt policies and tenets of accomplishment. We have held eight Councils of Safety to the moment. In each of them, the sponsors of this Movement have sought to bring to our attention, and impress upon our minds, one basic *policy* of the Movement as a whole—that we may have a common understanding of how to conduct ourselves in alignment with other Silvershirts elsewhere in America. This last Council instruction has mainly to do with some of the problems that will certainly be confronted, if, as, and when our Movement attains to a predominant position as a controlling national influence.

Before entering upon an exposition of these problems, however, we should make sure that each of us has a clear understanding of the eight points of policy—or stipulations—that have gone before.

In our first Council we considered the material in the Headquarters Instruction Booklet called THE REDS ARE UPON US. How many of us recall what the one big point was, which Chief Pelley brought forth as a major policy of the Silvershirts in the face of growing Communist or Jewish aggression?

*The Sponsor should interrogate the group, perhaps prodding members' memories by suggesting that it had to do with Silvershirts' attitude toward the "little Jew" on the street-corner. The Sponsor should have his earlier Eight Booklets at hand, and read the black-face lines on pages 26 and 30 if correct responses are not forthcoming. He should do this as well in case similar lapses of memory occur in regard to other earlier points of policy.*

YES, we Silvershirts are mainly interested in unseating the present mischief-workers at the top in Federal affairs, not getting

into brawls with individuals in a city, town, or neighborhood. This means, when translated in terms of action, that our local unit must hold itself ready at all times to back up Chief Pelley with local activity, when he calls for sentiment to be created in our own city, town or neighborhood for worthy Silvershirt maneuvers that have their real repercussions in the politics of the National Capital.

After all, if all of us, all over the nation, are standing in a solid mass behind the Chief, it means he thereby has the strength, prestige, and support, to make great corrective measures successful when he projects them among the big men in Washington, D. C. Thus all of us are benefited as reforms go into effect.

It is the big, broad-gauged, wholesale accomplishments of our designs as they apply to the nation as a whole, that we are interested at present in seeing achieved. Our smaller local messes can be cleaned up one by one after we have made ourselves a renovating power in the congressional sense, and the Chief comes into a position where he can then turn about and furnish us with aid.

When the Chief proposes a Silvershirt move that concerns the Washington bureaucracy, and goes to the Capital to launch it, and he knows—and 435 Congressmen and 96 Senators know—that behind him across Great America, are tens of thousands of Silvershirts ready to make a big noise in support of him, and to defend him if agents of the enemy seek to squelch him, the men at the top of the nation are not going to dismiss him as some lobbying crack-pot, grinding personal axes. So, in reality, Chief Pelley becomes our major agent and representative at the National Capital, to get us by strategy what is nearest to our hearts.

¶ This is the true purpose of the formation of the Silvershirts. It is to create a vast man-power and woman-power for which Chief Pelley can act as an effective mouth-piece. Today they are voiceless, pushed around by politicians, and cultivated or disregarded as the politicians want votes. If we give Chief Pelley the man-power and woman-power in the matter of mass support, and he in turn has great hordes of the Gentile citizenry behind him to back up and make effective his proposals, we are—together—an unassailable combination. On

the other hand, if Chief Pelley should "go wrong," there is no power in the land that forces us to support him. So we have him in a position of perpetual "good behavior" with the prospective gains all accruing on our side.

Now how about the second Council? What did we learn in that one? You recall that the Booklet was entitled *Why Pick on the Jew?* Why are we against world-wide Jewry but not picking fights with individual Jews?

*The Sponsor will wait for answers to the material expressed in black-face type on pages 22 and 33.*

TO RESUME, it is the *ethics* of Jewry that we're combating and harnessing. So long as they're going to continue unrestrained, we must either put the Jew in city concentration camps or ship him back overseas—if we can. Now how about the Third Council, under the title: *Roosevelt's Red Racket?* Why is it that Silvershirts can't go on supporting the major old-line political parties, but must eventually establish a Party of their own?

**N**OW to the Fourth Council: *Skulls for Sale!* If mobs form in this nation, to purge it of Red-revolutionary Jews, what form is the activity of Silvershirts to take? Do they join the mobs, do they hold aloof, or do they have some immediate role which they must play? If so, what is it?

*Discuss the business of Silvershirts' becoming the heads of the vigilante committees to control and steer them into constructive channels.*

**N**OW what was the substance of our Fifth Council, when you were read the material labeled *Marplots by Moses*? You recall that was the Council where you had so much of the atrocious material of the Talmud brought to your attention. What element or bloc amongst the Jewish people is mainly active in subverting our Christian government and Christian religion?

*Get the Council to talking about the influence of the Jewish rabbinate. Here would be an excellent place, too, to bring up the matter of how familiar the Council members are, with the "45 Questions."*

**O**UR Sixth Council considered the material entitled: *After Roosevelt, What?* You recall that in this Council we discussed what our answers were to be in the event we were challenged on the street as to why our Movement should not be considered superfluous or seditious. What correct answers have we learned to make?

*Request Council Members to give the responses and ascertain how well the group has mastered the arguments.*

**I**N OUR Seventh Council, the material for which was headed *Reds on the Run*, we reviewed the strengths and weaknesses of Jewish Communists and their organizations and leaderships in America. As these Jewish Communists lose out further and further, what are the Silvershirts supposed to do?

*Allow time for a discussion of Silvershirts' refusal to be hoodwinked by the "piping down" on Communism by Jews because it is jeopardizing Jews everywhere.*

**T**HAT brings us to our most recent Council, when we discussed the material in *This Way, Little Jew!* Now why does it

happen that Silvershirts are too wise to go out and resort to direct violence against the Jew?

*Make certain that members understand that such is precisely what Jewish leaders would like us to do, that they might curry favor with sentimentalists as victims of such persecution. Also at this point, see if members have thoroughly assimilated the differences between a Democracy and a Republic, and why the United States is not the former.*

THERE are, of course, scores of points-of-policy that could be discussed in a continual program of these Councils. But what has been brought to our attention in those we have held before tonight, consist of those items of Silvershirt principles that have given our national leaders most headaches to the moment.

To put it in another way, the matters we have discussed in our earlier sessions, have been those that seem to have been least understood by new members in the past, and violations of which have done most to make trouble for the Movement and bring Silvershirts into disrepute. There are, however,

several points not as yet covered, which have been reserved for the attention of this final Council, because in the main they concern the attitude and conduct of Silvershirts as we go on winning our fight and gaining to a wider and wider influence in our stricken country's affairs. The first of these is: what our national policy should be in the matter of bloc affiliation with other patriotic bodies. Do we Silvershirts think we can renovate this country lone-handed, and without the fraternal cooperation of other patriotic bodies?

It probably has come to our attention that Chief Pelley has again and again been criticized for playing a sort of lone-wolf hand, and not contributing the support of Silver-shirts as a mass to any United Front of anti-Communists or anti-Semites. When this criticism is raised, we must all know how to explain this seemingly peculiar and unfraternal behavior.

Listen!—

THE REASONS why the Chief has kept consistently aloof from aligning the Silvershirts with other vigilante or patriotic bodies are two—

The minute he did so, he would immediately be forced to start upon a program of *compromise* with what leaders of such other bodies thought should be done in the matter of group activity. X That would at once weaken the agenda of principles of the Silvershirts, and begin placing our ranks under the controlling influence of officials who are not Silvershirts or who might possibly not be in entire sympathy with all the tenets which we advance as a national Movement.

Most Silvershirts, for instance, are believers in, and indorsers of, the ultimate economic system named the Christian Commonwealth. That is our final goal—to bring to realization its economic benefactions.

But suppose the directors of a United Front didn't see, or couldn't see, or wouldn't see, the principles of the Christian Commonwealth as the ultimate solution of the national impoverishment? Suppose, on the other hand, it was decided by a majority opinion that Silvershirts—along with all other allied groups—should start a program of open intimidation of Jews, as an expedient to make the masses of that people behave. If the Silvershirts refused to

ride along, the United Front would immediately be broken, and continue as no "front" at all. If the United States were preserved, it would mean committing the Legion to a program as un-American as it would be dangerous to individual Silvershirts. X

The aforesaid compromise, in other words, would mean the immediate loss of individuality of the Silvershirts, in the interests of harmony. At the present time, a man or woman knows exactly what he or she is "joining," by reading the Silvershirt tenets, plainly set forth; he or she is committing himself or herself to definite agreements and none other.

The second reason why Chief Pelley has remained aloof from joining with other groups officially, is because a United Front would constitute a single target for the enemy to shoot at, smash down, or destroy.

C It is logical that if all the societies, organizations and movements that have the vigilante *motif* behind them, throughout the whole nation at present, welded together in some form of supervising control, *the biggest portion of the enemy's work would accommodatingly be done for him*. Instead of a far-flung network of anti-Communist

or anti-Semitic workers, all operating in their own ways and after their own ideas, toward the one objective, there would be but a single organization—or it would amount to that—and when that single organization was "dynamited," anti-Communist or anti-Jewish influence would cease to exist.

A United Front, so-called, would be "putting all our patriotic eggs in one basket," and then inviting the enemies of Christianity and Constitutionalism to come along and kick the basket.

Still, that isn't the whole of the matter.

THERE are but two other groups throughout the whole country that profess a strength, or show an activity, comparable to the Silvershirts. One is the Klan; the other the German Bund. In all fellowship and courtesy, the other "fighters" against Communism and Judaism are purveyors of enlightening literature and not much else. Down in West Virginia, George Deatherage heads the Knights of the White Camellia; but it is not national in its practical activities, and no disparagement is implied. George Deatherage is a fine citizen and a doughty scrapper, but to date most of his

activities have been sectional.   A real United Front then, would consist mainly of the Klan, the Bund, and the Silvershirts. And these three groups represent three different sets of principles, three different ways of attacking the Alien problem, and three different classifications of temperaments involved in the battle. The Klan bears the reputation of being anti-Catholic, and is so accepted by all Romanists, thousands of whom are among the finest patriotic Christian-principled fighters that we have in the nation. The German Bunders are splendid American citizens and are doing a heroic job to protect the German-Americans from vengeances taken upon people of their race by Jews on this side of the Atlantic. The Silvershirts, at the present time, include both Catholics and Germans as *individuals*, and thus supply a movement wherein all Christian elements can act fundamentally as their interests may appear.

A UNITED Front could not practically comprise the purveyors of literature, or general publicists, no matter how clever or earnest they happened to be, for they would merely be contributing one individual who

was doing the publicizing, in each case, and nothing else.

Much of this talk about a United Front is but subtle enemy propaganda, anyhow. There is already a United Front among all the "anti's" at present, insofar as principles and common objectives are concerned. Chief Pelley knows most of his fellow-leaders personally, and cooperates with them wherever he can do so without jeopardizing the integrity of the Silvershirts. Wherein, therefore, would there be any true gain in any further welding of the various vigilante blocs?

IT is the individualism in these societies and movements—not to mention the "educators," like True, Edmondson, Winrod, and others—that gives the "anti" forces their effectiveness and strength. Chief Pelley views it that by each retaining his individuality, and remaining apart in everything except the objectives of the fight, all are comparable to a regiment of soldiers advancing across No Man's Land in modern warfare. Closed ranks would mean frightful slaughter, while wide spaces between the advancing fighters mean that the enemy must

waste much valuable ammunition and the casualties remain slight.

THERE is another important point to be discussed and understood in this final Council, although it will also become the basis for much further emphasis in the training of members in Posts and Chapels. That is the circumstance that there is always the tendency of the temperamental element within our ranks—as in the ranks of all Movements of this nature—to accept that the *strategies and incidents involved in winning to our objectives, are the objectives themselves!*

Please try to understand just what this means!

It means, in practical effect, that if we, as Silvershirts, gained to a predominant influence in national affairs—strictly by Constitutional methods, you understand—and finally "came out on top," there would immediately be thousands of our people who would accept that the fight was won, that there was no further use for the Movement, and that the nation had been handed over to Silvershirts as a mass, to do with as they would.

They would wholly miss the fact that the work of Silvershirts would then have merely begun, that never was there greater need for perfect coordination and reasonable discipline, and that the labor for which the Movement was founded was about to start, instead of being finished.

The most human part of Mussolini's autobiography illustrates this point: where he tells about the behavior of his Blackshirts on finally arriving in Rome and taking possession of the city. They began to act as though they owned the place, as though Fascism were unquestionably triumphant, and the rehabilitation of Italy thereby achieved.

Mussolini had to take stern measures to disillusion them—to get it through his men's heads that an unobstructed seizure of Rome was only the installation of Fascism. Thereafter it had to prove its integrity, and that it was capable of bringing Italy back. In like manner, although not from similar motives, if the Silvershirt principles were everywhere indorsed or adopted by the citizens of the United States tomorrow, it would only mean that the Silvershirts had been given their chance to show what kind

of people they were, and whether the Christian Commonwealth was workable or merely a wild-cat theory of politics and economics.

We must all of us get it through our heads, and make it clear to the public, that the Silvershirt fight is by no means won when the Silvershirt Platform predominates in American thinking, or the routing of Jews from America starts.

How about the Herculean Job of "bringing America back"?

Take this item of the National Debt, for instance, that the Jewish New Deal has saddled upon us since 1933. Do you actually realize how BIG it is?

We say, offhandedly, that it amounts to forty billion dollars. But how much is forty billion dollars? Well, consider this—

¶ It takes 64 silver dollars to cover a square foot of space, eight coins each way. It takes 8 of them to make a pile one inch in height.

That means there are 64 dollars piled 96 coins high, to make a cubic foot of dollars. In exact figures, a cubic foot of such coins represents \$6,144. Very good! Now divide \$6,144 into \$40,000,000,000 to

get the number of feet that a solid column of silver dollars—one foot square—would reach upward toward the stars. Then divide by 5,280 feet to arrive at the number of miles. Not to bore ourselves with the figure-work, such a column of solid silver dollars representing the Roosevelt National Debt would lift one thousand, two hundred and thirty-three miles upward into Space!

No one can conceive the height of such a column. And yet, such is the height of the pile of money that must be scaled down before our United States can be prosperous again.

It can't be done, of course, and won't be done. The Jews will see to it that it isn't done—except by inflation, the gutting of the value of money, and the wiping out of that column by universal ruin.

The Silvershirts possess the system to install at once—overnight!—to save the nation from colossal suffering, when that cataclysmic event takes place.

That is why the work of the Silvershirts only begins where the Roosevelt mischief, and the Roosevelt Debacle, leave off.

Jews are truly a mighty small item in our program, when it comes to confronting the

stupendous economic task that awaits the group attempting the true economic restoration of our country. Think it over!

Then another thing—

There's the reorganization—so-called—of the Government, which is another piece of stupendous mischief for which the Roosevelt Gang is responsible. The House passed it on the 9th of March. And what does it mean in practice?

It means—if it likewise passes in the Senate—that Roosevelt and his Yiddishers will set about destroying by "reorganization," the American civic tradition. This in turn means that Constitutionalism gives way to Sovietism.

We Silvershirts are in existence to restore and preserve Constitutionalism as we can. So we're likewise confronted with the task of *undoing* the mischief that this Great Red has wrought, disintegrating his alien bureaucracy, and revamping and reinstalling the Constitutional practices which he will have abolished, discarded, or destroyed. *Statesmanship such as the world has never witnessed, is involved in such an American Convalescence!*

We Silvershirts may kid ourselves at pres-

ent that by gathering in private homes and hearing some brochures read to us, we're "saving the nation." We're saving nothing of the sort. We're merely striving to equip ourselves—by thus organizing our thinking—to grapple with the Gargantuan mess that "Jewish Democracy" has dropped into our laps!

**S**O WE reach the end of the points that had to be brought definitely to your attention—and explained and discussed—before any of us could really understand what it embraces and comprises to be a true Silvershirt.

If each and every one of us understands these policies and principles, and sincerely and intelligently subscribes to them, he is ready to join with his similarly-enlightened neighbors and all together weld into a permanent Silvershirt Post—for the men—and a Chapel for the ladies.

If anyone here has listened to an exposition of these policies and principles, and cannot indorse them or subscribe to them, now is the time for him to withdraw—but—thereby strengthen the ranks of the international enemy.

Most of us have read *The Hidden Empire*, *No More Hunger*, *What Every Congressman Should Know*, the *Protocols*, *The 45 Questions*, *Dupes of Judah* and *Jews Say So!* and have had full opportunity to reach free and unfettered convictions as to whether there is need of such a Movement as ours in the nation. Now the way is open for those of us who are not as yet accredited Silvershirts, to submit our personal credentials to Headquarters.

But to demonstrate our patriotism and our understanding of the enlightenment received to the moment, it is incumbent upon each and every member of this group, to proceed to form a new Council of Safety in his or her own right, among friends and acquaintances. By this means we will be swelling the ranks of active Silvershirts in our respective communities, and building support for Chief Pelley in his national endeavors in our behalf.